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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Keiichi Tomitsuka et al.
Serial No. : 09/900,388
For : COMMUNICATION METHOD, AND NETWORK DEVICE OR SYSTEM FOR PURCHASING NEW ITEM OR PICKING-UP OF OLD ITEMS
Filed : July 6, 2001
Art Unit : 2161
Examiner : Unassigned

Asst. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification

Rewrite the paragraph starting at page 1, line 21 and ending at page 1, line 24 as follows:

-- In addition, efficient collection of goods promotes recycling, resulting that manufacturers can use recycled articles and resources so that they can be environmentally, and effectively utilized. --.

Rewrite the paragraph starting at page 3, line 8 and ending at page 3, line 14 as follows:

-- transmission means for sending the request and address information via a network in order to request from a transportation company purchase or picking-up of goods at the requester's address; and